Supplementary written submission from the British Transport Police

First of all – we have not asked all Local Authorities, so do not have the completely definitive picture, but:

Local Government Association state that, although the staff that deal with the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 are not the same as those who deal with fly-tipping issues, the latter is very high on local authorities agendas, so they would have expected it to have come up if the Act had caused problems – so no central awareness of any linking factors.

Local authorities in the Midlands were approached to ascertain if they had any historical, anecdotal or statistical data linking the two and none had any evidence of an increase due to the Act.